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1. In February 1953 a total of 33,609,491 kg of various goods were transported to and from Czechoslovakia via the border stations Marchegg (P49/ S 70) and Devinska Nova Ves (P49/ X 89). Of this quantity 26,664,173 kg were shipped into Czechoslovakia and 6,945,318 kg out of Czechoslovakia. The following goods crossed the above border stations:

Metals	37,467kg, of this	28,575kg in	2 RR cars
Finished metal goods	325,174kg, of this	321,132kg in	29 RR cars
Chemical products	898,019kg, of this	897,487kg in	77 RR cars
Fuels	25,993,005kg, of this	25,993,005kg in	1,484 RR cars
Textile goods	171,992kg, of this	171,366kg in	17 RR cars
Lumber	4,778,595kg, of this	4,778,595kg in	294 RR cars
Food	1,282,163kg, of this	1,281,493kg in	83 RR cars
Miscellaneous goods	123,076kg, of this	120,005kg in	17 RR cars
Total	33,609,491kg, of this	33,591,658kg in	2,003 RR cars

2. Of the 26,664,173 kg shipped into Czechoslovakia via Marchegg/Devinska Nova Ves in February 1953, imports to Czechoslovakia amounted to 520,445 kg. Of the remainder, 26,029,225 kg went in transit to Poland and 114,503 kg to Hungary. The following goods were involved:

Metals	37,467kg, of this	28,575kg in	2 RR cars
Finished metal goods	104,739kg, of this	101,753kg in	9 RR cars
Chemical products	15,334kg, of this	15,100kg in	1 RR car
Fuels	25,993,005kg, of this	25,993,005kg in	1,484 RR cars
Textile goods	171,431kg, of this	171,366kg in	17 RR cars
Food	304,571kg, of this	303,901kg in	21 RR cars
Miscellaneous items	37,626kg, of this	36,825kg in	5 RR cars
Total	26,664,173kg, of this	26,650,525kg in	1,539 RR cars

3. Imports to Czechoslovakia. The 520,445 kg of imports to Czechoslovakia were broken down as follows:

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Metals	6,978 kg	
Finished metal goods	26,513 kg, of this 23,973 kg in 4 railroad freight cars	
Chemical products	15,100 kg, of this 15,100 kg in 1 railroad freight car	
Textile raw materials	141,366 kg, of this 141,366 kg in 14 railroad freight cars	
Food	304,571 kg, of this 303,901 kg in 21 railroad freight cars	
Miscellaneous items	<u>25,917 kg, of this 25,200 kg in 3 railroad freight cars</u>	
Total	520,445 kg, of this 509,540 kg in 43 railroad freight cars	

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The following goods were imported:

- a. Aluminum Tubes 6,978 kg
Three shipments of 494 kg in four cases, 3,638 kg in 30 cases,
and 2,846 kg in 24 cases respectively, in total 58 cases

Dispatch station: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Devinska Nova Ves

- b. Finished Metal Goods 26,513 kg
of this 23,973 kg contained in four railroad freight cars

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- (1) Machines 2,440 kg
contained in one railroad freight car

Dispatch st.: Vienna-Donaufuerbahnhof
Destination: Bratislava

- (2) Iron Machine Parts 7,439 kg
163 parcels, contained in one railroad freight car

Destination: Senica nad Myjavou (P49/T05)

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- (3) Structural Parts (Konstruktionsteile) 11,670 kg
contained in one railroad freight car

Dispatch st.: Vienna-Simmering, Aspangbahn
Destination: Dubnica nad Vahom (P49/T69)

- (4) Parts of Melting Installation 151 kg
contained in one case

Dispatch st.: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Dubnica nad Vahom

- (5) Iron Pipes 182 kg
contained in three bundles

Destination: Dobsina (R49/D66)

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- (6) Triplex Pumps 2,207 kg
five pieces

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- c. Chestnutwood Extract (Kastanienholzextrakt)
contained in one railroad freight car

15,100 kg

Destination: Bosany (P40/T 75)

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- d. Textile Raw Materials
contained in 14 railroad freight cars

141,366 kg

- (1) Raw Cotton
contained in 12 railroad freight cars

126,014 kg

Destination: Rybar Pole (Q50/C99)
Bratislava-Nove Mesto
Devinska Nova Ves

100,369 kg (10 cars)
17,027 kg (1 car)
8,618 kg (1 car)

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- (2) Rayon Clip
contained in two railroad freight cars

15,352 kg

Dispatch st.: Vienna-Matzleinsdorf
Fernitz-Muggendorf (048/X15)
Destination: Zilina

5,212 kg (1 car)
10,140 kg (1 car)

- e. Food
contained in 21 railroad freight cars

304,571 kg

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- (1) Lemons
contained in 13 railroad freight cars

223,850 kg

Dispatch st.: Arnoldstein, Carinthia
Destination: Devinska Nova Ves

121,280 kg
102,570 kg ****

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- (2) Oranges
contained in eight railroad freight cars

80,051 kg

Dispatch st.: Tarvisio
Destination: Devinska Nova Ves

- (3) Unspecified Victuals

670 kg

Dispatch st.: Tarvisio
Destination: Devinska Nova Ves

- f. Miscellaneous Items
of this 25,000 kg contained in three railroad freight cars

25,719 kg

Origin: Austria

- (1) Books
one parcel

12 kg

Dispatch st.: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Bratislava

- (2) Vine Plants
contained in three railroad freight cars

25,200 kg

Dispatch st.: Leobersdorf (048/X36)
Destination: Devinska Nova Ves

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- (3) Commodities (Gebrauchseffekten)
three items

155 kg

Dispatch st.: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Bratislava

- (4) Empty Wooden Cases

550 kg

Dispatch st.: Vienna-Matzleinsdorf
Destination: Bratislava

4. Goods Shipped in Transit to Poland. The total of 26,029,225 kg shipped to Poland was made up of the following kinds of goods:

Metals	28,575 kg in	2 cars
Fuels	25,993,005 kg in	1,484 cars
Miscellaneous	7,645 kg in	1 car
Total	26,029,225 kg in	1,487 cars

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The following goods were shipped:

- a. Rolled Iron in Rings

28,575 kg

contained in two railroad freight cars

Dispatch station: Tarvisio

Destination: Chalupki (formerly Annaberg) (P50/J50)

- b. Fuels

25,993,005 kg

contained in 1,484 railroad tank cars. The capacities of these cars range from about 7,000 kg to about 45,000 kg. All this quantity came from Lower Austria.

- (1) Crude Oil

20,154,475 kg

contained in 1,292 railroad tank cars

Dispatch st.: Vienna-Lobau

Matzen (P49/S61)

Vienna-Stadlau

Destination: Trzebinia (Q51/Y55)

Slawecice

17,938,045 kg (1,129 cars)

2,195,950 kg (162 cars)

20,480 kg (1 car)

20,133,995 kg (1,291 cars)

20,480 kg (1 car)

- (2) Gas Oil

5,838,530 kg

contained in 192 railroad tank cars

Dispatch st.: Vienna-Lobau

Destination: Slawecice

- c. Groupage Consignments (Sammelgut)

7,645 kg

contained in one railroad freight car

Dispatch station: Tarvisio

Destination: Katowice (Q51/Y57)

5. Goods Shipped in Transit to Hungary. The total of 114,503 kg of goods shipped to Hungary, consisted of the following items:

Metals	1,914 kg	
Finished metal goods	78,226 kg, of this	77,780 kg in 5 railroad freight cars
Chemical products	234 kg	
Textile goods	30,065 kg, of this	30,000 kg in 3 railroad freight cars
Miscellaneous Items	4,064 kg, of this	3,980 kg in 1 railroad freight car
Total	114,503 kg, of this	111,760 kg in 9 railroad freight cars

Origin: Austria

84,503 kg, of this 81,760 kg in 6 railroad freight cars
30,000 kg, of this 30,000 kg in 3 railroad freight cars

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The following kinds of goods were shipped:

- a. Spring Steel (Federstahl) 1,914 kg
contained in 45 parcels
- Dispatch station: Waidhofen a.d. Ybbs (Q48/W26)
Destination: Banreva (R49/D50)
- b. Finished Metal Goods 78,226 kg
of this 77,780 kg in five railroad freight cars
- (1) Dredging Machines (Baggermaschinen) 77,780 kg
contained in five railroad freight cars
- Dispatch st.: Vienna-Matzleinsdorf
Destination: Banreva
- (2) Rotary Drill Shafts (Drehbohrerschäfte) 470 kg
shipped in 20 bundles
- Dispatch st.: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Budapest
- (3) Reduction Valves (Reduzierventile) 76 kg
contained in one case
- Dispatch st.: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Budapest
- c. Chemical Products 234 kg
contained in four cases
- (1) Isabellin 185 kg
contained in three boxes
- Dispatch st.: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Budapest
- (2) "UTA" Fat (or grease) 49 kg
contained in one box
- Dispatch st.: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Budapest
- d. Textile Goods 30,065 kg
- (1) Woolen Rags 30,000 kg
contained in three railroad freight cars
- Destination: Szob (Q48/H46)
- (2) Gentlemen's Overcoats 65 kg
contained in three bars
- Dispatch st.: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Budapest
- e. Miscellaneous Items 4,064 kg
- (1) Graph Paper (Diagrammpapier) 84 kg
- Dispatch st.: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Budapest
- (2) Erlass... (rest of the word illegible) 3,980 kg
contained in one railroad car
- Dispatch st.: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof
Destination: Csepel (Q48/H21)

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6. Out of the 6,945,318 kg shipped out of Czechoslovakia via Devinska Nova Ves Marchegg in February 1953, exports from Czechoslovakia amounted to 6,783,330 kg. The remainder of 161,988 kg came from Hungary. The following goods were involved:

Finished metal goods	220,435 kg, of this	219,379 kg in	20 RR freight cars
Chemical products	382,685 kg, of this	882,387 kg in	76 RR freight cars
Textile goods	561 kg		
Lumber & lumber products	4,778,595 kg, of this	4,778,595 kg in	294 RR freight cars
Food	977,592 kg, of this	977,592 kg in	62 RR freight cars
Miscellaneous items	85,450 kg, of this	83,180 kg in	12 RR freight cars
Total	6,945,318 kg, of this	6,941,133 kg in	464 RR freight cars

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7. Exports from Czechoslovakia. The 6,783,330 kg exported from Czechoslovakia were broken down as follows:

Finished metal goods	216,209 kg, of this	215,153 kg in	19 RR freight cars
Chemical products	746,001 kg, of this	745,703 kg in	68 RR freight cars
Lumber & lumber products	4,788,595 kg, of this	4,788,595 kg in	294 RR freight cars
Textile goods	561 kg		
Food	977,592 kg, of this	977,592 kg in	62 RR freight cars
Miscellaneous items	64,372 kg, of this	64,326 kg in	10 RR freight cars
Total	6,783,330 kg, of this	6,781,369 kg in	453 RR freight cars

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- a. Finished Metal Goods 216,209 kg
of this 215,153 kg in 19 railroad freight cars
- (1) Steel Bearings 556 kg
Dispatch st.: Devinska Nova Ves
Destination: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof 517 kg
Vienna-Matzleinsdorf 39 kg
- (2) Double Wheel (Dvojkolie) 1,200 kg
contained in one railroad freight car
Dispatch st.: Trnava (P49/T22)
Destination: Villach, Carinthia
- (3) Assembling Tools 201,388 kg
contained in 16 railroad freight cars
Dispatch st.: Komarno (P48/Y76)
Destination: Vienna-Donaufuerbahnhof
- (4) Dredge Covers (Kryty k bagru) 500 kg
contained in one case
Dispatch st.: Dubnica nad Vahom
Destination: Ebensee (N48/V53), Upper Austria

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- (5) Iron Press 1,300 kg
contained in one railroad freight car

Dispatch st.: Tyniste nad Orlici (051/G90)
Destination: Vienna-Hauptzollamt

- (6) Enameled Vessels 11,265 kg
contained in one railroad freight car

Dispatch st.: Filakovo (Q49/D20)

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- b. Chemical Products 745,001 kg
of this 745,703 kg contained in 68 railroad freight cars

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- (1) Charcoal 569,502 kg
contained in 56 railroad freight cars

Dispatch st.: Hnusta (Q49/D33)
Cervena Skala (Q49/D46)

555,002 kg

14,500 kg

415,002 kg

14,500 kg

100,000 kg

20,000 kg

20,000 kg

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- (2) Oil Coke (Koks petrolejovy) 80,000 kg
contained in five railroad freight cars

Dispatch st.: Bratislava

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- (3) Carbon Bisulphide, CS₂ 38,075 kg
contained in three railroad cars

Dispatch st.: Bratislava-Prednestie

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- (4) Cellulose 58,126 kg
contained in four railroad freight cars

Dispatch st.: Zilina (Q50/Q02)

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- (5) Juniper Oil (Jalovecova silica) 289 kg
contained in two iron barrels

Dispatch st.: Liptovsky Svaty Mikulas (Q50/D19)
Destination: Thal an der Drau, East Tyrol

- c. Lumber and Lumber Products 4,778,595 kg
contained in 294 railroad freight cars

- (1) Cut Lumber (reziwo) 4,660,795 kg
contained in 288 railroad freight cars

Dispatch st.: Numerous stations in Slovakia

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211,160 kg (27 cars)
210,830 kg
4,238,805 kg (261 cars)

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- (2) Trunks 61,420 kg
contained in three railroad freight cars

Dispatch st.: various stations in Slovakia

38,770 kg (2 cars)
22,450 kg (1 car)

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- (3) Telegraph Poles 56,380 kg
contained in three railroad freight cars

Dispatch st.: Zvolen (Q49/T21)

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- d. Woolen Textures 561 kg
contained in eight bales

Dispatch station: Bratislava-Nove Mesto
Destination: Vienna-Nordwestbahnhof

- e. Food 977,592 kg
contained in 62 railroad freight cars

957,970 kg
10,160 kg
9,462 kg

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- (1) Malt 957,970 kg
contained in 60 railroad freight cars

Dispatch st.: Trnava

836,850 kg (54 cars)
121,120 kg (6 cars)

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- (2) Ground Red Pepper 10,160 kg
contained in one railroad freight car

Dispatch st.: Nove Zamky (P48/Y78)
Destination: Vienna

- (3) Dried Yolk of Egg 9,462 kg
contained in one railroad freight car

Dispatch st.: Cifer (P40/T21)

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- f. Miscellaneous Items 64,372 kg

- (1) Hollow Glas Ware
contained in 10 railroad freight cars

Dispatch st.: Lednicke Rovne (P50/060) 51,977 kg (8 cars)
Strieborna-Kat.Hut (Q49/D02) 4,501 kg (1 car)
Zlatno-Zlate Moravce (Q49/D23) 7,848 kg (1 car)
Destination: Vienna 31,748 kg (5 cars)
Leibnitz, Styria 14,081 kg (2 cars)
18,497 kg (3 cars)

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- (2) Phonograph Records 46 kg
contained in two boxes

Dispatch st.: Devinska Nova Ves
Destination: Vienna-Matzleinsdorf

8. Goods Shipped in Transit from Hungary. The 161,988 kg of goods shipped in transit through Czechoslovakia from Hungary to Austria, were broken down as follows:

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Finished metal goods	4,226 kg, of this	4,226 kg in 1 railroad freight car
Chemical products	136,684 kg, of this	136,684 kg in 8 railroad freight cars
Miscellaneous items	21,078 kg, of this	18,858 kg in 2 railroad freight cars
Total	161,988 kg, of this	159,764 kg in 11 railroad freight cars

155,538 kg, contained in 10 cars, were exported the remainder to Austria. The following goods were shipped:

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a. Iron Machines 4,226 kg
contained in one railroad freight car

Dispatch station: Csepel
Destination: Vienna-Matzleinsdorf

b. Chemical Products 136,684 kg
contained in eight railroad freight cars

(1) Colophonium 121,684 kg
contained in seven railroad freight cars

Dispatch st.: Budapest

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(2) Wheat Starch 15,000 kg
contained in one railroad freight car

Dispatch st.: Budapest

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c. Miscellaneous Items 21,078 kg

(1) Hoses 2,224 kg
contained in 10 crates

Dispatch st.: Budapest
Destination: Vienna-Matzleinsdorf

(2) Groupage Consignments 18,854 kg
contained in two railroad freight cars

Dispatch st.: Budapest

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1. Comment: The volume of shipments into Czechoslovakia via Marchegg/Devinska Nova Ves, after having risen to more than 30,000 metric tons per month in December 1952-January 1953, dropped about one-fourth in February 1953. Imports to Czechoslovakia were only 50 per cent, to Hungary 60 per cent, and to Poland about 75 per cent of their respective January values. Exports from Czechoslovakia via the above stations increased slightly; Hungarian exports were cut to 75 per cent in February 1953, if compared with the respective January figures. Oil shipments to Czechoslovakia, which were more than 700 tons in January 1953, stopped entirely in February.

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